

Amendments to Claims

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) An integral structure comprising a metal surface and a plastic member that comprises a surface, said metal and plastic surfaces joined by one or more fastening means, wherein said fastening means comprises a head assembly attached to and/or formed from the metal surface, over, around, and/or within which said plastic member is molded.

2. (Currently Amended) The integral structure of Claim 1 wherein said [fastening means] head assembly comprises a head portion and a neck portion joined thereto forming an undercut.

3. (Original) The integral structure of Claim 1 further comprising plastic ribs interconnected along said metal surface.

4. (Original) The integral structure of Claim 3 wherein said plastic surface and plastic ribs are selected from the group consisting of polyamides, polyesters, and liquid crystalline polymers.

5. (Currently Amended) The integral structure of Claim 2 wherein said [fastening means] head assembly further comprises one or more apertures formed [therethrough] through said head and/or said neck portion.

6. (Original) An article made from the integral structure of Claim 1.

7. (Original) A front end module made from the integral structure of Claim 1.
